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REMARKS

Applicant amends the pending claims to accommodate suggestions made by the Examiner in this application, as set forth in the above Interview Summary. The amendments are intended to facilitate allowance and are intended without prejudice.

In addition to the Examiner's suggestions, claim 55 is canceled in view of the amendment removing reference to a compound isolated from a pathogen from claim 37(d). Claims 56-58 are amended to refer to the chemical irritant of claim 37, in keeping with the claims and application as filed and for instance previously pending claim 44 (now canceled), page 23 lines 16-19 and the paragraph bridging pages 25-26 of the application. Also, claim 68 is amended to include the transitional phrase "comprising", in keeping with US patent practice.

No new matter is believed to be added by this Amendment. Withdrawn claims are believed to be in condition for rejoinder.

In the event that the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this Amendment or the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the below-signed representative by telephone to discuss.

Allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

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